

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA**

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Funds under Supplementary Nutrition Programme
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Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) the funds allocated to Integrated Child Development Services (ICDS) centers for Supplementary Nutrition Programme during each of the last three years and the current year;
- (b) the different food and nutrient supplements being provided in Cachar under the said programme;
- (c) whether there has been any delay in supply of funds for the programme to the ICDS centers during the last two financial years, if so, the reasons therefor along with the average delay time;
- (d) the steps taken by the Government to resolve the problems in ICDS centers; and
- (e) the monitoring mechanism in place to monitor the proper delivery of quality and quantity of food?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT
(SHRIMATI KRISHNA RAJ)

- (a) The funds released to the States/UTs as Gol share for implementation of Supplementary Nutrition Programme (SNP) under ICDS during each of the last three years and the funds allocated during current year is as under:
(Rupees in crores)

Financial Year	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Funds released/ allocated	6711.91	8048.73	6800.65	7455.86

- (b) Following three types of SN food is provided in the district of Cachar during the last three financial years :-

- i. Morning Snacks: seasonal & regional locally available food/sweet potato/ Puffed rice/dry fruits etc. to the beneficiaries of the age group 3-6 years.
- ii. Hot Cook Meal in the form of Khichdi, Suji, Halwa, etc.
- iii. Take Home Ration (THR) in the form of Rice and Matar to the category of 6 Months to 3 years children, Severely Malnourished Children of the age group 6 Months to 6 years, Pregnant Women and Lactating Mothers. During the last three financial years Rice and mixed Pulse based Micronutrient Fortified Energy Dense Food is also being provided to the same category of beneficiaries.

- (c) Generally the funds have been provided in time.

(d) & (e): Ministry of Women and Child Development has issued guidelines to all the State Governments/ UT Administrations for constituting 5-Tier Monitoring & Review Committees at different levels to review implementation of the ICDS Scheme. These guidelines provide monitoring & review mechanism at different levels by involving public representatives for monitoring the status of Anganwadi Centres. The constitution of each Committee, their role, duties and responsibilities have been prescribed in these detailed guidelines. Besides, frequency of supervision visits by field functionaries have also been provided. Monitoring and evaluation of ICDS Scheme is a continuous process to ensure proper implementation of the scheme by States/ UTs. Monitoring is done through monthly & annual progress reports, reviews as well as supervision visits etc. Based on the analysis and feedback State Governments/ UT Administrations are advised through letters and review meetings to address the deficiencies and improve the implementation of the Scheme.
